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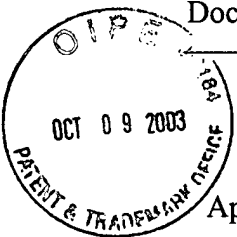
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Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing references for consideration by the Examiner. Most of these references were previously disclosed to or cited by the Patent and Trademark Office in the prosecution of parent U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/489,189, filed on Jan. 20, 2000. Copies of these previously cited references are not submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). There are additional references shown with an asterisk on Form PTO-1449, and copies of those references are submitted herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,
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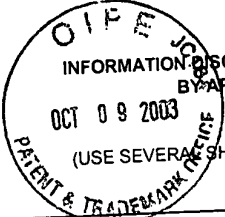
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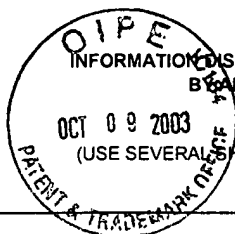
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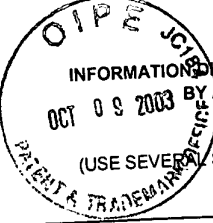
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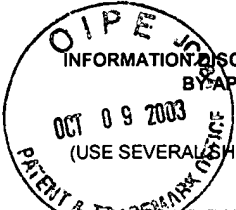
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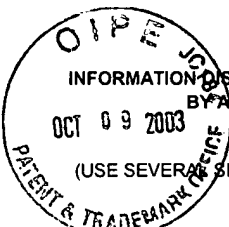
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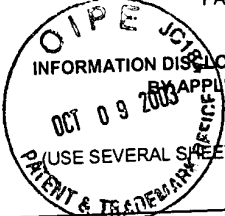
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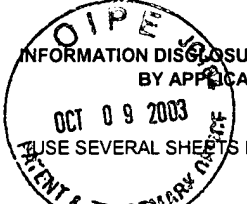
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